





## Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,  
ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,  
AND MARSEILLES;  
ALSO,  
PONDICHERY, MADRAS AND  
CALCUTTA.

ON SATURDAY, the 27th May, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *AVR*, Commandant FLEURBAIS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPICES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.  
Cargo and Spices will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.  
Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Spices and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th May, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)  
Contents and value of Packages are required.  
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1876. my27

## SAYLE &amp; Co.

WE beg to call special attention to our Show-room and Ladies' Outfitting Departments.

We are offering a fine assortment of Japanese Silks, which will wear well, at 65 cents per yard, worth \$1.

## Summer Dresses:

Satin Striped Poplins.  
Figured Poplins.  
Fancy and Plain Grenadines.  
Black and Fancy Gauzes.  
Fancy Silks, Black Silks.  
Niagara Striped Muslins.  
White Brillantes.

A lot of Lace Goods at less than half price.

Made-up Wrappers and Costumes.  
Embroidered Skirts.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing.

Straw Hats and Bonnets.

Feathers and Flowers.

Ladies' and Children's Hosiery.

Our Dressmaking Department is under the supervision of a Court Dressmaker.

Our Millinery Department is under the supervision of a West End Milliner.

SAYLE & Co.,  
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,  
Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

## To Let.

TO RENT CHEAP.  
OFFICES and Godown, No. 59, Praya, lately occupied by Messrs TAYLOR & THOMPSON. Also OFFICE and GODOWN situated in the rear of the Messageries Maritimes Office.  
Apply to  
LAI HING & Co.  
Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

## TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5, Zealand Street.  
House No. 9, Seymour Terrace.  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1876.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship

"*ANADIR*"

will be despatched at 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW, the 27th

Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876. my27

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship

"*ESMERALDA*,"

Captain THEBAUD, will be

despatched as above on

MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agents.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876. my29

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"*MANZALEH*,"

Captain PASQUALELLI, will be

despatched for YOKOHAMA

shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"*ANADIR*,"

Captain DE BUTLER, will be

despatched for SHANGHAI

shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship

"*ANTENOR*"

will be despatched on the

28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876. my28

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamship

*Ajao* are hereby notified that the Cargo

is being discharged into craft and loaded

at the Godowns of the Undersigned, in both

cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The

Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft

or Godown on and after the 29th May, 1876.

Goods undelivered after 5th June, 1876,

will be subject to Rent.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876. jef5

## TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

THE Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra

Terrace.

The Dwelling House and Office, No. 1,

Wyndham Street.

The Dwelling House and Office, No. 14,

Stanley Street.

The Bungalow, No. 24, Gage Street.

(Also with occupation from 1st May next.)

The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra

Terrace, at present in the occupation of

Dr. SOUTER.

The Dwelling House No. 3, Gough

Street, occupation from 1st June.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any

Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew

of the following Vessels, during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALMA, German barque, Capt. Lehmeier.

—Melchers & Co.

LIZZIE, British barque, Captain John

Inokay.—Broadbent, Anthony & Co.

IPHIGENIA, German barque, Captain

Matten.—Wm. Fustau & Co.

MARGARITA, British ship, Capt. Owens.—

Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

HOPS, British barque, Captain Boulton.

—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

COMET, American ship, Captain William

E. Bray.

BELVED WILL, British ship, Captain J.

Branthwaite.

WODA, German barque, Capt. Meyer.—

Wm. Fustau & Co.

VINDEX, British barque, Captain John

Parkhouse.

ROBISON, British barque, Capt. Tinsan.

—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ZOROVA, British barque, Captain Geo.

Scarlett.—Gillman & Co.

TANTON, British ship, Captain James

Clark.

JOACHIM CHRISTIAN, German barque,

Captain H. O. Kelm.—Wm. Fustau & Co.

WILLIAM MUDGETT, American barque,

Captain J. B. Dickey.—Jardine, Matheson

& Co.

AUGUST, German brig, Captain P. Riis.

—Eduard Schellhass & Co.

## Charters Elected.

The following settlements have been

effected since last Circular was published:—

British ship *Commissary*, 900, hence to

London, private.

American bark *Wealthy Pendleton*, 800,

hence to San Francisco, private.

American bark *Willard Mudgett*, 875,

hence to Honolulu, private.

British bark *Prince Arthur*, 290, Foochow

to Adelaide, Melbourne or Sydney, private.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

May 25, *Ajao*, British steamer, 1549,

Alex. Kidd, Liverpool March 31, Port

Said April 22, Suez 24, Penang May 15,

and Singapore May 19, General.—BUTTER-

FIELD & SWIRE.

May 25, *Charter Oak*, from Whampoa.

May 26, *Amoy*, from Canton.

May 26, *Mikado*, British steamer, 3030,

F. Moore, Sydney May 6, Coals.—GILMAN

& Co.

May 26, *Norna*, British str., 600, Walker,

Swatow May 25, General.—KVOX ACHONG.

May 26, *Thingalla*, Danish steamer,

1,671, Motier, Saigon May 22, Rice.—

Wm. Fustau & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

May 26, *Houmaing*, for Canton.

28, *Chofoo*, for Shanghai via Swatow.

26, *Prince Arthur*, for Foochow.

26, *Arratoon Agar*, for Saigon.

## CLEARED.

Scotia, for Newchwang.

Vancouver, for Foochow.

Otago, for Guam.

Hieronymus, for Swatow.

Channel Queen, for London.

*Ajao*, for Shanghai.

*Amoy*, for Shanghai.

Pernambuco, for Saigon.

Hastings, for Cebu.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per *Ajao*, for Hongkong, Mrs. Bruce,

child and servant, Messrs Harrison, Heath,

and 85 Chinese; for Shanghai, Mr. Martin.

Per *Mikado*, from Sydney, 12 Chinese.

Per *Norna*, from Swatow, 4 Europeans

and 90 Chinese.

Per *Thingalla*, from Saigon, 82 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Ajao* reports: Fa-

vorable weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Mikado* reports:

First three days heavy head winds, since

when have experienced favorable weather.

The Danish steamer *Thingalla* reports:

Light winds and fine weather throughout.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For FOOCHOW:—

Per *VANCOUVER*, at 2.30 p.m. To-

morrow, the 27th Inst.

For YOKOHAMA:—

Per *LORE*, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 27th Inst.

For NEW YORK:—

Per *CHARTER OAK*, at 3.30 p.m. To-

morrow, the 27th Inst.

For SHANGHAI:—

Per *K. I. RO*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 27th Inst.

Per *AMOI*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 27th Inst.

For MANILA:—

Per *ESMERALDA*, at 2.30 p.m., on

Monday, the 29th Inst.

For SINGAPORE AND PENANG:—

Per *CHLOE*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 30th Inst.

For HAINAN (via CANTON):—

Per *H. I. M. S. SHEN-CHI*, at 5 p.m.

on Tuesday, the 30th Inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET:—

The French Contract Packet *AAV* will

be despatched on SATURDAY,

the 27th Instant, with Mails to and

through the United Kingdom and

Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon,

Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondi-

cherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay,

Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 26th Instant:—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post

Office closes except the NIGHT BOX,

which remains open all night.

Saturday, 27th Inst.:—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late

Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)

addressed to the United Kingdom,

Saigon, or Singapore may be posted

on payment of a Late Fee of 15 cents

extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes

entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,

Postmaster General.

General Post Office,

Hongkong, May 13, 1876. my27

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *OCEANIC*

will be despatched on THURS-



# SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 26TH MAY, 1876.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>								
Ajax	5 c	Kidd	Brit. str.	1549	May 25	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-morrow
Amoy	5 c	Drewes	Brit. str.	814	May 26	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Asia	4 c	Molsen	Dan. str.	880	May 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Marseilles, &c.	To-morrow
Ava	5 c	Flourials	Fch. str.	1908	May 24	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	To-morrow
Bombay	4 k	Smith	Brit. str.	1327	April 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.	S'pore and Penang	30th, 4 p m.
Candia	4 c	Thomson	Brit. str.	1342	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	27th, 4 p m.
Cheops	3 h	Dryden	Brit. str.	983	May 18	Ah Yon	Yokohama	To-morrow
Columbian	4 k	Alderton	Brit. str.	1417	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	27th, 4 p m.
Cyphrus	5 c	Wood	Brit. str.	1280	May 22	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Glamis Castle	4 c	Dickie	Brit. str.	1539	May 13	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Shanghai	27th, 4 p m.
Karo	5 c	Pinkney	Brit. str.	979	May 24	Meyer & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Lorne	5 c	Butcher	Brit. str.	1035	May 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	27th, 4 p m.
Madagascar	4 c	Timm	Ger. str.	884	May 23	Siemssen & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Maharajah	...	Stephenson	Brit. str.	994	May 15	Siemssen & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Merxloh	5 c	Pasqualini	Fch. str.	1008	May 23	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	To-morrow
Mikado	1 k	Moore	Brit. str.	3030	May 26	Gilman & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Norna	2 h	Walker	Brit. str.	606	May 26	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama	To-morrow
Ocean	3 h	Jaques	Brit. str.	971	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Oceanic	4 k	Parsell	Brit. str.	2349	May 13	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Orphis	8 h	Butlin	Brit. str.	1137	May 13	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Pasig	2 h	Lopez	Span. str.	107	May 7	Remedios & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Pawtuxet	4 k	...	Amer. str.	280	June 18	Aug. Heard & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Pernambuco	4 h	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	May 21	Ah Yon	Yokohama	To-morrow
Statesman	5 c	Valiant	Brit. str.	1209	May 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Sunda	4 k	Lee	Brit. str.	1029	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Vancouver	7 k	Shaw	Brit. str.	2923	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Vasco de Gama	...	Rice	Brit. str.	2000	April 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Washli	6 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	262	May 22	Landstein & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Yotting	2 h	...	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama	To-morrow
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>								
Alma	8 h	Lehmeyer	Ger. bk.	385	April 26	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco	...
American Lloyd	4 k	Park	Amer. bk.	510	May 21	Captain	San Francisco	...
Anna	4 k	Jessen	Ger. bk.	448	May 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
Anna	5 c	Witteneden	Ger. bk.	862	May 12	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco	...
Annie Fish	3 c	Hiffes	Amer. sh.	1490	April 23	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	...
August	4 k	Ris	Ger. bg.	274	May 28	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Belled Will	3 c	Brantlawalt	Brit. sh.	812	May 8	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Bua-Pan	2 c	Moller	Siam. sh.	675	May 19	Kin-tye-loong	San Francisco	...
British Crown	7 h	Andrew	Brit. bk.	448	April 27	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	...
Caroline	4 c	Purnbull	Brit. sh.	987	May 16	Order	San Francisco	...
Caroline Behn	1 h	Schmidt	Ger. bk.	673	April 24	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Channel Queen	4 k	Lenfestoy	Brit. sh.	609	May 13	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	...
Charles Maureau	4 k	Quatrous	Fch. bk.	368	May 24	Landstein & Co.	San Francisco	...
Charter Oak	3 k	Smith	Amer. sh.	963	May 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Chas. O. Leary	3 c	Stephen	Amer. bk.	644	April 24	Captain	San Francisco	...
Chateaubriand	3 k	Hervé	Fch. bk.	384	May 20	Carlowitz & Co.	San Francisco	...
Chong Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Siam. sch.	200	April 30	Chinese	San Francisco	...
Christina A. P.	3 c	Federico	Amer. sch.	175	Jan. 8	Order	San Francisco	...
Comot	4 c	Bray	Amer. sh.	1157	April 23	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	...
Commissary	8 h	Hunter	Brit. sh.	900	April 23	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Daylight	2 h	Redemaker	Siam. bk.	447	May 17	Kin-tye-loong	San Francisco	...
Deutschland	3 c	Hilman	Ger. bk.	269	May 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	...
Dora	1 c	Larango	Span. bg.	322	May 13	H. Kier	San Francisco	...
Emma	3 c	Grau	Ger. bk.	340	May 21	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
Felga	4 c	Christiansen	Dan. bk.	316	April 23	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Ferdinand	3 k	Westergaard	Ger. bk.	416	May 29	Molitors & Co.	San Francisco	...
Flodden	4 k	Murdoch	Brit. bk.	337	May 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	San Francisco	...
Hastings	4 k	Craig	Brit. bk.	541	May 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	San Francisco	...
Hicronymus	8 c	Beahl	Ger. bk.	400	May 7	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Hope	4 c	Boulton	Brit. bk.	454	April 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Iphigenia	4 c	Malzen	Ger. bk.	404	April 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
J. H. Jessen	4 c	Rasmussen	Ger. bk.	275	May 2	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	...
Jerfalcon	...	Bentley	Brit. sch.	287	May 1	Gilman & Co.	San Francisco	...
Joachim Christian	4 c	Reimer	Ger. bk.	467	May 15	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
John Milton	8 c	Murphy	Brit. sh.	618	May 22	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	...
Kate Tatham	4 k	Mackesey	Brit. bk.	275	May 12	Carlowitz & Co.	San Francisco	...
Kronprinzessen	3 c	Hamin	Dan. bk.	344	May 23	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Luciel	3 c	Ewen	Brit. sch.	216	May 3	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Lucro	2 c	Colberg	Siam. bk.	432	May 15	Tuck Moo & Co.	San Francisco	...
Lulu	4 k	Ryan	Amer. 3m.sc.	368	May 20	Wah Cheong	San Francisco	...
Lylea Till	1 h	Rinesl	Ital. sh.	1013	May 18	Order	San Francisco	...
Margarite	4 k	Owens	Brit. sh.	864	Mar. 17	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Marquis of Argyle	2 k	McKeon	Brit. bk.	500	April 10	Rozario & Co.	San Francisco	...
May	7 h	Plumley	Brit. 3m.sc.	237	May 19	Olyphant & Co.	San Francisco	...
Minna	3 c	Thuren	Ger. bk.	456	May 11	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
Mount Lebanon	8 h	Hall	Brit. 3m.sc.	580	April 28	Rozario & Co.	San Francisco	...
Oceanus	8 c	Brückwoldt	Ger. 3m.sc.	335	May 19	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Otago	3 c	Snadden	Brit. bk.	436	April 26	Captain	San Francisco	...
Otter Caps	8 c	Storday	Brit. bk.	582	May 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	...
Papa	8 c	Pasch	Ger. bk.	750	May 11	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Prince Arthur	4 c	Wells	Brit. bk.	287	April 25	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Racehorse	2 h	Holser	Siam. bk.	387	May 10	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Rebecca	3 c	Bundgaard	Ger. bk.	408	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco	...
Rota	7 c	Hansen	Dan. sh.	862	May 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	San Francisco	...
San Lorenzo	4 c	Pico	Span. bg.	220	May 14	Remedios & Co.	San Francisco	...
Scotia	...	Duncan	Brit. bk.	321	May 4	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Swallow	2 c	Rowes	Amer. sh.	1230	April 23	Order	San Francisco	...
Taunton	3 c	Clark	Brit. sh.	638	May 18	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	...
Thermopylae	8 c	Matheson	Brit. sh.	948	May 11	Adamson, Bell & Co.	San Francisco	...
Titan	8 c	Berry	Amer. sh.	1236	May 19	Messageries Maritimes	San Francisco	...
Vesta	4 k	Parks	Ger. bk.	302	May 21	Molchers & Co.	San Francisco	...
Victor	2 k	Sorensen	Norw. bg.	247	May 15	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	San Francisco	...
Victory	...	Whiting	Brit. bg.	253	May 22	Yuen Fat Hong	San Francisco	...
Vindex	7 c	Parkhouse	Brit. bk.	290	May 3	Landstein & Co.	San Francisco	...
Wealthy Pendleton	1 c	Blanchard	Amer. bk.	809	Mar. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Willard Mudgett	3 c	Dickey	Amer. bk.	875	May 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	San Francisco	...
Willie	4 k	Badenoch	Brit. 3m.sc.	274	May 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	...
Widan	3 k	Meyer	Ger. bk.	439	May 7	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	...
Young Siam	2 c	Benedictsen	Siam. sh.	701	May 12	Koen-tye-loong	San Francisco	...
Zoroya	3 k	Scarlett	Brit. bk.	388	May 13	Gilman & Co.	San Francisco	...
<b>WHAMPOA</b>								
Cap Horn	Green	...	Ger. bk.	401	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Tientsin	...
Charité	Hervé	...	Fch. bk.	255	May 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin	...
Lizzie	Inokay	...	Brit. bk.	385	May 17	Broadbear, Anthony & Co.	Tientsin	...
Rubicon	Pinnsan	...	Brit. 3m.sc.	204	May 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	...
<b>CANTON</b>								
Howsang	Hutchinson	...	Chi. str.	800	May 26	O. M. S. N. Co.	Chefoo	...
Yungching	Gibbon	...	Chi. str.	661	May 25	O. M. S. N. Co.	Chefoo	...

## Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ariadne	6 c	German	corvette	1380	6	400	May 21	Kühne
Cyclop	on Slip	German	gunboat	360	6	80	May 11	Von Reiche
Flamer	7 h	British	aux. naval hospital	...	...	...	...	D. M. Insp. Gen. Morgan
Hertha	7 c	German	corvette	2200	19	400	May 13	Kuort
Hornet	7 h	British	gun vessel	461	4	120	May 16	Hippisley
Kearsarge	6 k	American	corvette	638	6	500	April 20	F. V. McNair
Messance	6 k	British	military hospital	2591	...	...	...	Capt. Becker
Thistle	6 c	British	gun vessel	464	...	...	May 15	Francis Stirling
Victor Emanuel	6 h	British	Commodore's flag ship	3987	2	...	...	Commodore Watson
Yanlo	6 c	American	gunboat	410	3	238	May 10	R. S. McCook
<b>At Canton</b>								
Palos	...	American	gunboat	306	...	...	April 18	W. R. Bridgeman



last he resolved to try his luck in the Northern Circuit, and accordingly he bought a Kam-sang degree which entitled him to compete at the metropolitan examinations where the degree of M. A. or Kū-yan is at once conferred without the necessity of going through the B. A. degree. He succeeded there, and again in the higher standard, as we have mentioned above. We should not be at all surprised to find him taking the Hanlin degree.

#### FAREWELL CONCERT OF THE ITALIAN OPERA TROUPE.

The very unfavorable weather of last night was the cause of a thin house on the occasion of Signora Coppa's second and final Concert, which is much to be regretted, as the public was deprived of a real musical treat, and the talented impresario will find himself ill-rewarded for his efforts to entertain the Hongkong public. The troupe more than confirmed the good opinion earned by their first performance. Where all went so smoothly and well, it is unnecessary to particularize the individual pieces gone through, but one cannot withhold a special tribute of praise for the magnificent rendering of the Grand Trio from "Ernani," which was again chosen as the finale. This was one of the musical events of Hongkong, and alone more than repaid the discomforts of a long journey to hear it. The Signora having recovered from the effects of her sea-voyage, was in very sweet voice and elicited well-merited applause by her performance of the difficult pieces she undertook. The absence of the violinist's accompaniment from "Alta Stella Confidente" was noticeable, but this in no way detracted from the merit of the fair singer. Signori Mariano Neri and Silvio Rossi, each sang to perfection, the splendid tenor voice of the former being used with great feeling and expression in each piece but more particularly in the grand aria from "La Africana."

A word of sincere praise must be given in conclusion to the accompaniments of Signor Santino Coppa, which left nothing to be desired. We are sorry this troupe has met with no better success during their stay in the Colony, but are confident that had the nights of their performances been more favorable for the attendance of the public, a very different result would have been attained and something more than the admiration of the music-loving few would have rewarded their efforts.

The *Geographical Magazine* for March contains the expected map of Cameron's route from Lake Tanganyika nearly to the West Coast, together with one showing a part of the route traversed by Livingstone as well as by his successor. The cartographer's remarks on this famous journey are interesting, but of necessity meagre. It is pleasant to find that Livingstone's reckoning compares so favorably with that of the more expert and better equipped Cameron. Mr. David Ker's paper on "The World's Future Coal Depot," meaning Russia, is certain to console the hearts of his countrymen for the bleak prospect of the giving-out of their coal-mines, and if the Russians were Yankee, it would have an immediate effect upon the price of coal-lands in the Don and the Moscow basins, and be the signal for a railroad mania for which the United States alone could furnish a parallel. Something like this will take place, doubtless, when the demand comes from England. Meanwhile, the world at large may repose with confidence in the knowledge of the vast and as yet undetermined deposits of this country and of China.—*New York Nation*.

#### RESUSCITATION VERSUS TRANS-MIGRATION.

The *Chung Ngai San Po* records a curious story of the transmigration of the soul. It is so circumstantially narrated that it possesses a coloring of truth, but whatever credit one may be inclined to give to it, his suspicion must be aroused when he hears so many versions of the same story, equally circumstantial in details but differing materially in main points. We have heard two versions already, and the one now given by our Chinese contemporary is the third. However, we will proceed to give the one that appears in print.

In the Poon-yü district, there is a village called Lo Pin, thus designated after the name of the clan residing there. A Mr. Lo, a man of middling circumstances in life, had a residence there, and at his death he left behind him a widow and two sons, one named Ahoi, the other Apui. The elder son was intelligent and was inclined to literary pursuits, so that at an early age his writings astonished even the learned, but he was unlucky and died when just arriving at puberty. The mother was naturally very much taken aback by this bereavement, but was in a measure comforted by the fact that she still possessed another son. The surviving son, however, was very dull, so that the mother despairing of his success in literature, engaged him out as an assistant in a shop. In course of time he married a wife and enjoyed the felicity of a wedded life for about two years when he departed this world on the 20th April last. The whole family was put into great commotion and lamentation by this occurrence, especially so with the young wife who was now reduced to widowhood for the rest of her life. The corpse was then laid out preparatory to being encoffined, but after the lapse of more than three hours, signs of life were visible in the corpse, first a sound of respiration followed by a movement of the arm. The whole family who sat round the corpse, as is the custom, to watch it, were again put into great commotion and consternation, but the mother, more courageous than the rest, advanced to it and called out her son's name. A response was heard, and the by-standers, being now emboldened, joined in this method of reviving

with their vociferations. This so far aroused the animated corpse that it was able to sit up but stared all round. Seeing now that animation was in the body, the members of the family were transported from a fit of lamentation to state of joy. He was now addressed by the name of the younger son Apui, but he sternly replied, "I am not Apui, but Ahoi, the elder son." Though in a state of bewilderment, they still thought that inasmuch as he had just come to life again, it was possible that he had not yet recovered his full senses. Stimulating medicines were then freely given, and he appeared to be in perfect health. But the topics he spoke on were all that had reference to Ahoi. The mother then said to him that Ahoi had died years ago now, who would believe that he had come to life again? "If," the mother continued, "you are Ahoi, what proof have you? Where have you been all the time you were dead? How came you to be alive again?" The son replied, "I can only recollect things in this world, and nothing of what took place during my death. I felt, as if I had gone asleep and knew nothing of what took place, nor how long I have been sleeping." Pointing to the wife, he said, "I don't know who this woman is." The mother informed him that she was his wife. This he stoutly denied and said, "She is not my wife, she must have been married after my death." From that time he never recognized her as his wife, and when she tried to administer to his wants, he would run away from her to the plea that it was against propriety to be attended upon by a brother's wife. When he was asked about the state of things in Hades, he replied that he knew nothing; there was no such thing as Hades that he knew of. They then asked him for proof to identify himself as Ahoi, and he took up a pen and wrote essays in the most elegant style, a feat which the younger brother Apui could not perform, being a shop-assistant and an illiterate man. This so far convinced his kinsmen that they concluded that there must have been a transmigration of soul from the corpse of the elder brother to the newly-defunct body of the younger. The story-narrator concludes by saying that, strange as this might appear to be, it had been related by the kinsmen of the deceased, or rather the revived, and these kinsmen were tradesmen at Saiyungpo, and those who were desirous of information could apply to them.

Of the other various currents among the Chinese, we may mention one which differs slightly from the previous that it requires a man of no ordinary credulity to believe it. The names of the district, village and family correspond, and the date of death also corresponds. But the name of the man whose soul had transmigrated into the recently-defunct corpse was not Ahoi, nor was he the elder brother of the deceased, indeed he was no relation at all. The man whose soul had transmigrated is said to have belonged to the family of Woo, living in the same district but in a neighbouring village, somewhat isolated from that of the deceased. The body when revived stared all round in great amazement and wanted to know how he came to be there. He gave those around him to understand that he had died more than a month earlier than the deceased. That when he got down to Hades, the ruler told him that he should not have died and sent him back to this world. That as his corpse had by that time been all decomposed, he was told to "borrow" the body of the recently deceased to come to life again. After saying this much, he wanted to leave the house in order to return to his own family. He was naturally detained. Meantime the matter had reached the ears of the father, who repaired to the Lo family with the view of claiming his son. He was, however, refused admittance, and the matter, it is said, would form the subject of litigation. The body was that of the son of the Lo family, while the soul was that of the Woo family. If ever the case came into Court, it would require more than Solomon's wisdom to settle the matter. However, we may rest assured that his Worship the magistrate of Poon-yü will not be troubled with such a knotty question, as on the face of it the story is so absurd. Nevertheless, it has gained wide circulation among the Chinese, and this shows how far Chinese belief may be worked up to.

#### Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) 26th May, 1876.

**ATTEMPT TO COMMIT LENOX.**  
Low Akam, a hawker, was charged with attempting to steal a bangle from a child who was borne on the back of its mother. The defendant was identified to have been once in gaol before. Six months' hard labour.

**(Before James Russell, Esq.)**  
**ASSAULT.**  
Hu Apui, a cook, was charged with assaulting a woman who had taken a small quantity of water out of a tub. Fined \$2 or 7 days' hard labour.

**BURGLARY.**  
Man Amo, a coolie, was again brought up for stealing a box containing clothes and money to the total value of about \$6, the property of one Leong Akat, an engine fitter living near No. 2 Station. The prisoner used to visit the tenants of this house frequently, but how he came in on the night in question, nobody could tell, for he never slept in the house. But it was clear that access was effected by unbolting the trap-door and street-door. The prisoner was committed for trial.

**ASSAULT.**  
Adolph Pappet, a clerk out of employ, was summoned by a female named Theodora Rodriguez, for an assault. The present case was being heard by the defendant for some time, but they had quarrelled, and the defendant was recently placed under a rule of bail to keep the peace towards her for three months in \$10. Since then he had again come to her house and made overtures to her, but because she refused them he beat her. The Magistrate ordered his recognizance to be entered in default to be imprisoned for 21 days with hard labour. The fine was subsequently paid.

**STEALING A BAG CONTAINING \$36.**  
Li Aze, a mat-maker, was again brought up to answer the charge of stealing \$36 from a money-changer. The facts were briefly stated. The defendant and three others came to the complainant's stall pretending to change money. While complainant was attending to two of them, the defendant made a grab at the bag of dollars and small coins and then ran away. Three of them succeeded in getting off, but

the defendant was arrested, together with the plunder. After other evidence was taken, the prisoner was committed for trial at the Supreme Court.

#### CHINA-HIRE.

Patrik Carroll, seaman U. S. S. *Kearney*, was charged with refusing to "pay chair-hire, and being drunk at the time. Fined 50 cents, and to pay 70 cents amends.

#### DEFICIENT BALANCES.

Several shop-keepers were summoned by Inspector Orley for having unequal and deficient balances in their shops for the sale of merchandise. They were fined \$2 each.

#### China.

##### NEWCHANG.

9th May, 1876.  
The steamer *Shansee* leaves for Ohefo tomorrow morning at daylight. There is little doing here, business being very dull generally. Since the 25th of March last we have had only one or two slight showers, which have done little more than lay the dust for a few hours. Farmers began to despair of their crops. We are all anxiously looking for rain, as, irrespective of the serious injury its absence will entail on the province, we are daily blinded by the local dust storms which the great winds have called into existence. This spring has been unusually boisterous.

It may interest you to know that a great and constant immigration is going on here from Shantung. Every or nearly every junk brings over a number of Shantung men, who at once proceed to the wild and unsettled country in the north of Anhui. The reason of this great immigration I find to be a dread which has taken possession of the Shantung people, that a great famine will devastate Shantung in consequence of the drought which has existed there for some time. We fear that these poor people may be jumping out of the frying-pan into the fire.

The few ships in harbour are ready to proceed to sea with the exception of the *Salacia*, and unless some vessels enter the harbour soon, our settlement will have a very deserted appearance; and as the wind is blowing vigorously from the north at present, it is not at all unlikely that we may be for a few days without a foreign ship in the port. The weather already begins to get very warm.

To-morrow Mr. Francis P. Knight, the oldest mercantile representative of this port, leaves for a time Newchwang, with which he has been so intimately connected for a period of fourteen years. Not only has Mr. Knight been a successful and enterprising merchant, but he has been for many years an energetic and able Consul. To a greater degree than most men he has found time, amidst the cares and perplexities of business, to devote attention to those political questions which affect the present and future welfare of China in its relations with western nations. His position as Consul for the United States, Germany and the Netherlands, has not only afforded Mr. Knight opportunities of studying Chinese subjects but it has brought him in intimate contact with most of the representatives of foreign powers in Peking and many of China's able statesmen. Mr. Hart, the Inspector-General of Customs, has shown his usual ability as a discernor of men in appointing Mr. Knight one of the (Chinese) Commissioners to the Philadelphia Exhibition. If he is only as energetic as a Commissioner, we feel as a Consul and merchant, we feel that Mr. Knight will discharge his duties in his new post with credit and advantage to those he is sent to represent. His colleagues and fellow-residents at this port wish him all honour and success in his new appointment, and assure him of a hearty welcome on his return to his old sphere of labour. Mr. Knight is expected to return to China in the spring of next year.—*Shanghai Courier Correspondent*.

#### Japan.

##### (Gazette.)

On the 28th ultimo, 735 tons of coal were put out of the Takashima coal mine. Serious disturbances, having their origin in the alteration of the land-tax, are reported from the Wakayama-ken. A telegram received lately says that troops from the Camp of Osaka have been called out.

The Corea Embassy will leave Fusan for Yedo on the 18th inst.

The official opening of the new public park at Uyeno, Tokio, has taken place. The foreigners who were invited, having heard that H. M. the Mikado had decided upon opening the gardens in person, were somewhat disappointed, when they arrived in the grounds at the time mentioned on their invitation cards, to find that the Mikado and the Empress had paid their visit to the gardens at 10 a.m. However, the Princess Ariasawa-Miya and Higashi Fushimi-Miya did the honors to the invited. The foreign ministers, Admiral Reynolds, U.S.N., Messrs. Iwakura, and other officials, the Colonel commanding the French Military Mission, and several unofficial foreigners were present.

The Buddhist priests in the Shimane-ken violently argue against the reception by the people of the new doctrines and opinions imported by foreigners. They contend that the world is flat. They have been prohibited of late to promulgate a foolish opinion.

The Tokio exhibition, which was to be closed on the 14th inst., will be kept open for sixty days longer.

The construction of the new Imperial Palace will be commenced shortly. The building is expected to be completed within five years at an expense estimated at one million yen.

The *Hochi Shinbun* writes: The riots in the Wakayama-ken have already been put down, and the troops from the Camp of Osaka entered the city of Wakayama on the 15th instant.

An official of the *Kangio-Rio* has been ordered to go through the Yamanaishi, Aichi, Gifu and two other *Kens*, to instruct the people in the art of preparing tobacco leaf for the manufacture of cigars.

A small-pox prevails in the island of Shikoku, and since the first of this month, gas lamps have been lighted nightly in the city of Kyoto.

An exposition of the products of the Island of Yezo, has been opened by the Agricultural Department in Tokio.

According to the *Hochi Shinbun* the work of codifying the Criminal Law of Japan will be commenced shortly, having been entrusted to the President and Vice President of the Judicial Department, the *Gikusan* of the *Gen-ro-ri*, and Mr. Ito, *Sangi*.

The Korean ambassadors, and their suite, is all about eighteen persons, says the *Nichi*

*shinbun*, will arrive in Tokio about the middle of the month.

Some officials of the War Department have been ordered to report upon the best places to be selected for the defence of Tokio. Mr. Torio, one of the Commissioners appointed, has retired from the Commission through ill-health. The others are now examining the coast of Idzu.

A priest of a Buddhist temple in Mino married his daughter. His parishioners were much scandalised and obliged the priest to divorce her.

#### Java and the Straits.

##### (Singapore Times.)

At the Criminal Assizes on the 15th instant two Chinese coolies were tried for the murder of a man at Malacca which arose out of the riots there. The jury found both prisoners guilty, and they were sentenced to death.

The *Java Bode* states that, shortly an auction sale (the first ever held there) of Java tea is to take place at Batavia. On this subject the following is translated from the *Batavia Dagblad* of the 8th instant:—

"The first tea auction is to take place here on the 15th June next. In accordance with what we wrote on the subject, dealers here have distributed widely samples of parcels of tea to be disposed of by auction, and as what is to be offered for sale answers expectations as to quantity, people entertain hopes that Batavian dealers may inscribe their names for considerable quantities on behalf of their correspondents. A smaller quantity from a couple of estates which will not be ready for delivery in time to be sold by auction a month afterwards. Every one who estimates rightly the great importance of the tea culture to Java, is looking forward with the utmost interest to the result of this first experiment."

In Mid Java two slight shocks of earthquake were felt on April 19th last.

A terrible accident, which resulted in the death of five men, occurred on board the Spanish Mail Steamer *Panay*, now lying at Tanjong Pagar wharf. On the morning of the 7th instant, four days after leaving Manila, the forward steam dome burst, the fourth engineer, a Spaniard, the greaser, two firemen and the coal trimmer, natives of the Philippine Islands, were scalded. The latter died on the spot, the fourth engineer died in the afternoon, and the others two days afterwards.

We learn that a large Chinese failure has taken place in Elnang, liabilities being put at about \$250,000, and the principal sufferers being Chinites.

At Messrs. Powell & Co.'s auction sale on the 16th inst., the horses per *Good Luck* from Port Walcott, realized on an average, \$150 each, and those per *Arcton* from Calcutta, averaged \$140 each.

An inquest has been held on the body of a male-Chinese named Teo Ah Yik. The deceased was a gardener residing at New Chew Kang along with the prisoner named Teo Ah Khye. On the 12th instant, the deceased and the prisoner had a quarrel about a debt of three cents due by the deceased to prisoner. A fight ensued between them, when the prisoner pushed the deceased and made him fall upon a "laong" or rice polder. The deceased died shortly after. Verdict, culpable homicide not amounting to murder against the prisoner Teo Ah Khye.

The following extract from a private letter from Pinang may be of some interest:—

"I hear from some of your old coolies in Larut who have come here that the Indigo plants have thriven nicely, and that the Chinese have been cutting it and have been speaking to Mr. — about it. No doubt if the place was thoroughly quiet the Chinese would turn their attention and thoughts to planting and other quiet pursuits. But I am afraid, as you say, that cannot be expected till Perak is thoroughly and honestly annexed, as you term it, 'administratively and judicially.'"

From late Batavia papers to the 8th instant are translated the following extracts from an Official report of the Military and Civil commanding Officer at Acheen, dated the 25th ultimo:—

"During the last few days the enemy have given more signs of life. Thus on the 14th, a patrol from Kelatong Dua was heavily fired upon in the IX Mukims. On the 16th one of our convoys between Oleh Karim and Kotia Alam was attacked by a numerous band of Achines, and it was solely due to the excellent conduct of our Soldiers (all Europeans) that the whole detachment was not cut to pieces. During the night of the 21st instant, about 200 Achines made two attacks on our fortification at Lampit, but had to give way, leaving three dead, several weapons, and some bloodstained garments. Both these occurrences furnish anew clear proof that the war party do not intend, at present, to lay down their arms. On the contrary the shortly expected arrival of Habib Abdul Roohman appears to have made them more eager to fight. Regarding the latter there are various rumours afloat. Here, the people are daily expecting him with a large number of auxiliary troops. The most probable rumour is, however, that he is still on the north coast, off Pasengan. According to a report from the Assistant Resident of Ede he has not succeeded in enlisting auxiliary troops in Pasi and Gelong owing to the firmness of Tunkun Muda Angkasa, the Rajah of Pasi, who has also been repeatedly of service to us at Ede and Kerti. Within the territory occupied by us matters are unchanged. The people settled there keep quiet generally speaking, but here and there, traces of hostile marauders are met with, a state of things to which an end will be put by the closing of the *E. E. line* and by patrols. From information received the headmen of the IX Mukims continue inclined to submit to us when they shall have been freed from the pressure of their hostile inclined neighbours in the uplands. On the 19th, E. N. M.'s steamer *Deft* returned from the West Coast with Lieutenant R. P. Tadmor. It appears from this official report of his voyage, that matters here, in the main, changed but little. The headmen at Makih had paid a visit on board, to whom, at their request, a flag was handed over which they had not received up to that time. Malabu appears to be the most suitable site for a settlement. The state of health was tolerably satisfactory. Cholera appeared sporadically."

There is a solid guy of a Parisian inhabitant, addressed to his hat; which had fallen off. It was overheard one night on the Boulevards: "If I pick you up, I fall; if I fall you will not pick me up then I leave you;" and he staggered proudly away.

#### THE PROSPECTS AT HAINAN.

##### (Celestial Empire.)

It would be stretching a point to say that the letters which have emanated in such numbers from correspondents in Hainan, for publication in the papers of Hongkong and Pootoon, throw any very new or valuable light upon the prospects of foreign commerce in that Island. They contain, it is true, many interesting and entertaining details of the appearance of Hoi-how, the social features of the newly-recruited port, the physique of the natives and the personal adventures of the correspondents themselves. But such particulars, however pleasing, do not add much to our previous stock of knowledge; in fact, we are really left with rather a more imperfect idea of the commercial resources of the Island than we had before. A contributor to one of our contemporaries goes so far as to rob us of some of the little comfort we had before derived from the well-known report of Mr. E. C. Taintor. That gentleman at least held out some hopes of a large market being found in Hainan for the importation of opium; a really very considerable trade did then actually exist, and it only required the assistance of Government protection to develop it indefinitely. We are now informed that the drug is dealt in to a most limited extent; indeed, the people look disappointingly healthy; their appearance is quite the reverse of that attributed to a race who are violently addicted to the soothing pipe. Then the bright prospects of the piece-goods trade are withered at a blow. The million-and-a-half of inhabitants appear a simple race, whose wants are few, and amply supplied from their own resources. "The cotton and silk cloths," we are mournfully assured, "manufactured at Wan-chow, a town about fifteen miles from the East coast of Hainan, are formidable rivals to any effort which may be made to introduce Manchester goods. Some twenty sorts are to be seen in a collection now on view at the Chamber of Commerce (Hongkong) varying from \$9.60 per 100 Chinese feet of 14 inches wide, for the best quality of silk goods, down to \$1.30 for a similar length and size of coarse cotton. These and the intermediate qualities of piece silk, silk and cotton mixed, grass-cloth and hemp-cloth, supply the wants of the natives in a way which renders it doubtful whether our own manufacturers can compete with the native weavers at remunerative prices." Very doubtful indeed, we should think, at any rate until Manchester manufacturers will make up their minds to employ a little more honesty and rather less day in the preparation of their goods. As matters stand at present, foreign piece-goods appear likely to prove every bit as much of a drug as opium itself, and it is clear that until the Hainan people become rather more civilized than they are now, by the presence of a Customs-house and a Consulate, there is little chance of our merchants being able to create new wants in their primitive breasts. Consequently our Southern friends grow exceedingly because Pakhoi was not opened instead; and on broad grounds, they are very probably right. Sir Thomas Wade, it appears, was desirous of it; he waited most anxiously for a memorial upon the subject, and was more ready to grant than the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce and the mercantile public were to pray. But after all Hainan may turn up trumps. There are known to be gold-fields in the interior of the Island, gold-fields which have been already worked, and which were only closed about the year 1700 on account of the ferocity of the aborigines. These persons, we are sorry to say, appear to be not very much more amiable disposed now than they were in the reign of Kang-hsi, for we have lately heard of some rather severe skirmishes between them and the Chinese; but it is to be hoped that the benign influences of Western civilization will gradually make themselves felt all over the interior and that in course of time these long-closed sources of wealth will be once more reopened for the benefit of both foreigners and natives. It must not be forgotten—and this is by no means an unimportant fact—that there seems more true progress in another island-dependency of China, proportionately, than in China itself. Here in our immediate neighbourhood the authorities are opposing the Woosung railway tooth and nail; in Formosa they are making a railway themselves, and this in connection with mining operations. True, there are no passenger-trains; but there are goods-trains, drawn by steam-engines, and the difference is but slight. 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## Mails.

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 1st June, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. je1



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Also, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM-NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship LOMBARDY, Captain GILMAN, with Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Goods, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places, on SATURDAY, the 3rd June, at Noon.

CARGO will be received on board until 5 p.m.; FREIGHT and PARCELS at the Office until 2 p.m. on the 2nd June.

For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong.

CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.

A written declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any detention or prejudice which may happen from incorrectness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their Steamers for Europe through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own Steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, May 22, 1876. je3

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "ALASKA" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 18th June, 1876, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York, Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bussan K. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Island Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, May 26, 1876. je16

## FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

A. H. KING & Co. beg to inform the Public that their "Furniture Show Rooms" are now in Zetland Street, No. 2, opening into Queen's Road, next to the COMPAGNIE D'ESCOMPTES DE PARIS; where they have all descriptions of ELEGANT and ENGLISH-MADE FURNITURE, necessary for completely furnishing a Gentleman's Residence.

Also, CHINESE AND JAPANESE CURIOS, FINEST EBONY CARVED TABLES and CHAIRS of every kind may be had on reasonable terms.

Hongkong, May 11, 1876. je13

## Insurances.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## YANG-TZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND RESERVE, \$60,000 TAKES

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the world at current rates.

This Association will, until further notice, provide out of the earnings, first for an Interest Dividend of 15% to Shareholders on Capital, and thereafter distributed among Policy holders, annually, in cash. All the Profits of the Underwriting Business pro. rata to amount of premium contributed.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 9, 1872.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals, in Matchboxes, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to \$100,000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co. Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1874.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1874.

## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYFANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

## YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 9, 1874.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

## Insurances.

## THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSURANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company in Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance, payable in Australia, London, Calcutta, Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, September 6, 1875. je1

## THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE CO.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-named Company, is prepared to grant Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$10,000, at the usual rates, subject to an immediate discount of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in China.

Life Policies effected during the year 1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on 31st December for the quinquennial period then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

## NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

For Sale.

JUST RECEIVED,

En French Mail Steamer "MELKONG."

YELLOW CHARTREUSE, (gins and quarts).

Extra fine SALAD OIL, from (Bosende, Marseilles).

Imperial PRUNES, in Glass Jars.

SIOLIAN NUTS.

JAMS, JELLIES & FRUITS, assorted.

Fine French SAUSAGES, in 1 lb. tins.

Assorted PASTER for SOUP.

French CANNED, assorted, Nos 1 to 5.

French NAVY SOAP.

Marseilles SAUSAGE, Quits Fresh.

LYON SAUSAGE.

MESS PORK in barrels of 100 lbs. or by retail.

CHAMPAGNE VINEYARD PRODUCTIONS BRANDY.

BISQUIT Dubouché BRANDY.

St. Emilion Dinner CLOARET.

Best Sauterne WHITE WINE.

ANCHOVIES, in oil.

Superior CLARET, bottled by the Underigned, \$2 per doz.

TUNNY FISH, in oil.

Superior WHITE VINEGAR.

TAPIOCA.

Julienne SOUP, in 1 lb. Tin.

TRUFFLES.

MACARONI & VERMICELLI.

French extra fine TOBACCO.

Just Landed, En S. S. "A.T.A."

PEPPERMINT, quarts and pints.

BENEDICTINE, quarts and pints.

French CLAY PIPES.

Raspail's extra fine LIQUOR.

French Smoked HAMS.

SOLIGNY BEANS.

YANILLA.

CLARET from Bordeaux.

" Marseilles.

" To Suit Purchasers.

Raspail's GENUINE LIQUOR from Paris.

Fine White BREAD, in loaves and rolls, manufactured from the finest California Flour, and in the Parisian fashion.

F. VINCENT.

French Bakery, No 2, Peel Street.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876. je2

## DUO DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$15 per case (1 doz.)

Pints, \$10 " " (2 " )

5 per cent discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKY.

\$12 per case (1 doz.)

For Sale by HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876. je1

## NOTICE.

THE Underigned, having been for 18 years in this port as Ship Compro-dore and Stevedore, has always on hand

FOR SALE.

First Class Tea Ballast, at 55 cents per ton.

Second " " " 50 " "

Blue Stone Ballast, " " 85 " "

Stone Ballast, " " 80 " "

Coolies for discharge, " " 6 " "

Ing Rice, " " 7 " "

Coolies for discharge, " " 7 " "

Ing General Cargo, " " 7 " "

Also.

Fresh PROVISIONS, Oilmen's STORES, Paints, Oil, &c. &c. can be had at moderate rates for Shipmasters, and anywhere else at this port. If any Shipmasters require my services, they will please hold No. 5 Flag on the main mast, or apply to No. 57, Praya West (between the Canton Steamer's Wharves).

AT YON.

Ship's Compro-dore and Stevedore.

Hongkong, May 2, 1876. je2

## Intimations.

## NOTICE.

WITH a view to the Immediate Reduction of the Large and Valuable STOCK of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, and CLOCKS.

SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, MUSICAL BOXES, &c. &c. &c.

OF THE LATE

MR. G. B. FALCONER.

The Administratrix to the Estate has resolved that it shall be placed at the disposal of Purchasers at Prices CONSIDERABLY UNDER THE ORIGINAL COST.

The Stock, which is well known to be the Largest and most Complete in the East, or out of London, has been all selected from London and other Manufacturers of the highest eminence for quality, exquisite finish, and artistic designs, so that probably no such opportunity can present itself again to buyers of selecting from a Stock so Magnificent with such inducements.

The Stock will be open for Inspection at the Greatly Reduced Prices on and after MONDAY, the 22nd Instant.

G. FALCONER & Co.

Queen's Road, Hongkong,

May 19, 1876. je2

## COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

THE DOCKS being now completed, are capable of DOCKING any size VESSELS frequenting this Port, and executing any REPAIRS required.

A large quantity of SPARS, LUMBER, IRON, COPPER, YELLOW METAL, &c. &c., always kept in Stock at cheap rates.

Length of Dock, 455 Feet.

Breadth do, 82 "

Depth of Water, Springs, 24 "

do do, Neaps, 21 "

The following Rates will be charged until further notice:—

Recooping, including Dockage, Shoring, Labor, Pelt, Pitch, Tar, and Oakum, 80 cents per Sheet.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 2 Coats Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 35 cents per Ton Gross Register.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 1 Coat Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 80 cents per Ton Gross Register.

For further particulars, apply to

W. B. SPRATT & Co., 9, Praya East.

Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

## THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, \$500,000.

THE Underigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c. &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876. je24

NOTE.—By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be raised by dividend amongst those Insurers out of whose business profits have been made during the year.

## STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Underigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876. je24

## Now Ready.

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